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# AMENDMENT TO ANNEX I TO THE CONVENTION

## Proposal from the Republic of Kazakhstan to amend Annex I to the Convention

## Note by the secretariat

1. The procedures for amending the Convention and its annexes are contained in Articles 15 and 16. Article 15.1 states: "Any Party may propose amendments to the Convention" and Article 15.2 states: "Amendments to the Convention shall be adopted at an ordinary session of the Conference of the Parties. The text of any proposed amendment to the Convention shall be communicated to the Parties by the secretariat at least six months before the meeting at which it is proposed for adoption. The secretariat shall also communicate proposed amendments to the signatories to the Convention and, for information, to the Depositary." Article 16 relates, *inter alia*, to the amendment of annexes by application of the procedure set out in Article 15.

2. In accordance with these provisions, the Republic of Kazakhstan by a note dated 24 April 1999 submitted a proposal to amend Annex I to the Convention by adding the name of Kazakhstan to the list of countries contained in that annex. This proposal was transmitted to the Parties and the signatories by a note verbale dated 3 May 1999, which stated that the full text of the proposal would be circulated in a United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) document in all official languages of the United Nations as soon as practicable.

3. The Conference of the Parties is invited to consider the proposed amendment and adopt the necessary decision.

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Note dated 24 April 1999 from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations in New York addressed to the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations presents its compliments to the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and has the honour to notify the following:

Taking into account great importance of global ecological problems facing humanity in whole and Kazakhstan in particular, the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan has concluded appropriate procedures and took decision to request the Conference of the State Parties to the UNFCCC to consider the possibility of joining of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the list of countries contained in Annex I to the UNFCCC,

According to Article 15 of the UNFCCC the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan to the United Nations kindly requests the secretariat of the UNFCCC to take appropriate measures to make amendments to the Annex I to the Convention.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change the assurances of its highest consideration.

(Stamped)
New York, April 24, 1999

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan
to the United Nations

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